

The Friends of the Coyote Valley Greenbelt (FROGS)

Coyote Valley Specific Plan Task Force
December 13, 2004

Comment Highlights:

1. Our Mission and Vision statements have been provided to the Task Force. They explain who we are and what we are working to achieve. We are a new non-profit organization with over 50 members and growing who support the creation of a permanent greenbelt in South Coyote Valley, including the hillsides around the valley and along Coyote Creek.
2. Dedicated funding is the most important element in the successful implementation of a permanent greenbelt. Mitigation funds generated by the development in Coyote Valley, together with other public and private funds, will be essential to purchase land and development rights for greenbelt activities from willing sellers.
3. While we do not expect this Task Force to complete and adopt a Specific Plan for the Greenbelt, we do expect that your efforts will include identifying a process and mechanisms for achieving the greenbelt. The Specific Plan and subsequent development of the urban parts of Coyote Valley should not proceed without solid assurance that the necessary elements for creating a permanent greenbelt are in place and functioning.
4. FROGS has begun a dialogue with some of the property owners in the Greenbelt portion of the Valley, which we hope and expect to continue. We are open to discussion and exploration of areas of common interest with all of the greenbelt landowners.

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